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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF US/DUTCH PROPOSAL ON INFORMATION SYSTEMS  
CURRENTLY BEFORE CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE. ATTENTION IS CALLED  
TO PARA 11 OF THIS PROPOSAL WHICH HAS BEEN ADDED TO MEET PROBLEM  
OF COST ESTIMATE REPORTED REFTEL (B).

QTE THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL,

REAFFIRMING ITS RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THE CHARTER OF THE  
UNITED NATIONS AS THE CENTRAL BODY FOR DEVELOPMENT PLANNING AND  
PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATION,

RECALLING ITS CONTINUING ROLE AS DESCRIBED IN RESOLUTION  
1768(LIV) OF 18 MAY 1973 OF EXAMINING AND CO-ORDINATING "ON  
A SECTOR-BY-SECTOR BASIS, THE ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMMES OF  
THE AGENCIES OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM IN ORDER EFFECTIVELY  
TO PERFORM ITS FUNCTIONS AS CO-ORDINATOR OF THE SYSTEM AND TO  
ENABLE IT TO ENSURE THAT THE WORK PROGRAMMES OF THE UNITED NATIONS  
AND ITS AGENCIES ARE COMPATIBLE AND MUTUALLY COMPLEMENTARY",

REITERATING THE NEED OF GOVERNMENTS OF MEMBER STATES

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FOR IMPROVED, COHERENT AND COMPARABLE INFORMATION ON THE

PROJECTS AND PROGRAMMES OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM FOR  
THE DECISION-MAKING PROCESS IN GOVERNING BODIES,

RECOGNIZING THAT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMON CONCEPTS  
AND COMPATIBLE PROCEDURES AMONG THE ORGANIZATIONS OF THE  
UNITED NATIONS AS WELL AS THE ADAPTATION OF ESTABLISHED PATTERNS  
WITHIN THE ORGANIZATIONS TO THE CHANGING NEEDS AND REQUIREMENTS  
OF MEMBER STATES ARE LONG-TERM AND CONTINUOUS PROCESSES,

CONSIDERING THAT A MAXIMUM BENEFIT FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE  
UNITED NATIONS SHOULD BE OBTAINED FROM THIS CO-ORDINATED EFFORT  
AND THAT GOVERNMENTS OF MEMBER STATES SHOULD BE PROVIDED  
WITH AN IMPROVED INSIGHT INTO AND AN OVERVIEW OF THE ACTIVITIES  
OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM,

REALIZING THAT INFORMATION ON THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM'S  
ACTIVITIES, RESOURCES, RESULTS AND FINDINGS IS OF RELEVANCE AND  
SIGNIFICANCE TO THE PLANNING PROCESS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES,

COGNIZANT OF THE NEED TO DEVELOP WAYS AND MEANS TO  
STRENGTHEN THE PLANNING PROCESS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES IN  
ORDER THAT THEIR IDENTIFIED NEEDS MAY BE MET MORE EFFECTIVELY  
BY THE RESOURCES AND CAPABILITIES OF THE ORGANIZATIONS WITHIN  
THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM,

--I--

1. NOTES THE REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON CO-  
ORDINATION ON INFORMATION SYSTEMS (E/5489 AND ADD. 1);

2. WELCOMES THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COMMON REGISTER OF  
DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES (CORE) AS A FIRST, IMPORTANT STEP TOWARDS  
THE PROVISION OF INFORMATION SUPPORT FOR SYSTEM-WIDE PLANNING  
AND PROGRAMMING;

3. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AND INVITES THE EXECUTIVE  
HEADS OF THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC  
ENERGY AGENCY TO INCLUDE IN THEIR NEXT BUDGET SUBMISSIONS DETAILED  
PROJECT PROPOSALS FOR THEIR ORGANIZATIONS' PARTICIPATION IN THE  
DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION PHASES OF THE COMMON REGISTER  
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(CORE);

4. RECOMMENDS THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND GOVERNING BODIES  
OF THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY  
AGENCY SUPPORT THE PARTICIPATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND  
RELATED AGENCIES IN CORE;

5. CALLS UPON THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS

DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME TO TAKE THE NECESSARY MEASURES  
FOR THE PROGRAMME'S FULL PARTICIPATION IN CORE BY THE END OF  
1975;

6. REQUESTS THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON CO-ORDINATION TO  
CONTINUE AND ACCELERATE ITS EFFORTS TO COMPLETE THE ESTABLISHMENT  
OF CORE THROUGHOUT THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM AS A PRIORITY MATTER;

7. RECOMMENDS THAT THAT ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON CO-ORDINATION  
STRENGTHEN THE INTER-ORGANIZATION BOARD FOR INFORMATION  
SYSTEMS AND RELATED ACTIVITIES (IOB) AND ITS STAFF TO ENSURE ITS  
CAPACITY FOR CONSULTATION WITH AGENCY MANAGEMENT TOWARD THE DEVELOPMENT  
OF COMMON CONCEPTS;

--II--

8. URGES THE SECRETARY-GENERAL AND THE EXECUTIVE HEADS OF THE  
SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY  
AGENCY TO GIVE SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF COMMON  
CONCEPTS SUPPORTING PLANNING AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF  
PROGRAMMES AND FINANCIAL PLANS;

9. CONSIDERS THAT THE COMMON CONCEPTS APPLIED IN SUPPORT OF  
PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING AND IN THE PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL  
PLANS AND IN THE FORMULATION OF PROJECTS SHOULD BE BASED ON  
THE FOLLOWING PRINCIPLES:

9.1 PROJECTS, PROGRAMMES AND RELATED FINANCIAL PLANS  
SHOULD BE ORIENTED TOWARDS RESULTS TO BE OBTAINED (OUTPUTS)  
RATHER THAN TOWARD RESOURCES REQUIRED (INPUTS) AS HAS  
BEEN THE CASE HERETOFORE;

9.2 PROJECT PROPOSALS SHOULD SPECIFY:  
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9.2 A THE BENEFICIARIES,  
9.2 B THE EXPECTED RESULTS,  
9.2 C A TIME SCHEDULE FOR SUCH RESULTS,  
9.2 D AN EXPLANATION OF HOW PROGRESS IN THE ATTAINMENT  
OF RESULTS IS TO BE ASSESSED;

--III--

10. DECIDES THAT, IN ORDER TO FACILITATE THE DECISION-MAKING  
PROCESS OF GOVERNING BODIES, THE PROJECT REGISTER (CORE) SHOULD  
PROVIDE:

10.1 AN INVENTORY OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE ORGANIZATIONS  
OF THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM BY COUNTRY, BY GEOGRAPHIC  
REGION, BY ECONOMIC OR SOCIAL DISCIPLINE, AND BY BROAD

PROGRAMME OR PROBLEM AREAS,

10.2 AN INVENTORY OF RESOURCES BY SOURCE AND STATUS OF  
EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS INCLUDING, IF POSSIBLE, COUNTERPART  
CONTRIBUTIONS.

10.3 INFORMATION RELATING TO GOALS, PURPOSES AND TIMETABLES  
OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE ORGANIZATIONS OF THE UN SYSTEM;

--IV--

11. REQUESTS THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON CO-ORDINATION  
TO REPORT TO THE COUNCIL ON THE PROGRESS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION  
OF THIS RESOLUTION AT ITS FIFTY-NINTH SESSION. THIS REPORT  
SHOULD OUTLINE THE BENEFITS TO BE OBTAINED FROM OCRE BY MEMBER  
STATES, WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, WHEN  
IT WOULD BE IMPLEMENTED ON A SYSTEM-WIDE BASIS. FURTHERMORE,  
THE REPORT SHOULD CONTAIN AN ASSESSMENT OF THE COST IMPLICATIONS  
BY AGENCY BOTH FOR THE SHARE OF COST TO BE ABSORBED BY RE-ALLOCATION  
OF AVAILABLE RESOURCES AND FOR ADDITIONAL RESOURCES REQUIREMENTS  
IMPLIED UNQTE.DALE

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